

Nature Center Activities

Turkey Run State Park

Saturday, May 1

Welcome Back Weekend

Nature Center OPEN 10am-4:30pm EDT

***10am Help Feed The Birds** – Help a naturalist put out bird seed and work in our wildlife observation area, and then watch through the windows to see who comes for breakfast! Nature Center.

***10:30am Recycled Bubbles** – Discover how to re-use old toys, office supplies and trash to have some amazing fun! Make your own bubble solution and bubble makers during a 45-minute program outside the nature center.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – Let a naturalist give you a tour of the stars during a 40-minute planetarium show. *Reservations recommended on weekends.* Nature Center.

***3pm Lusk Home Tour** - It's opening day for the Salmon Lusk Home. Gather in the basement of this 1841 mansion for an entertaining 1-hour tour. Your children will enjoy it, too! \$2/person donation is suggested. Doors open at 2:45 p.m. for viewing the cellar exhibits. See park map for directions.

3-4pm Leave No Trace While Fishing – Join special guest Bill Houk for some really cool activities while discovering how to keep your ponds and lakes safe for fish and turtles. Casting contest, bear bag advice and more! Nature Center lawn.

7:30pm Wild Sounds You Might Hear Tonight – Gather at the amphitheater (near the big pool) to hear some strange sounds. You'll also learn how to make some of them yourselves during this hilariously eerie 40-minute program.

Sunday, May 2

Nature Center OPEN 10am-4:30pm EDT

***10am Help Feed The Birds** – See previous listing.

***10:30am Fossil Hike** – Meet on the nature center front porch to take a 1-hour moderately-rugged hike through a rocky canyon, and the find some fossils to keep!

2pm Planetarium Star Show - See previous listing.

***3pm Lusk Home Tour** - See previous listing.

Monday, May 3

Nature Center OPEN 10am-4:30pm EDT

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See previous listing.

Tuesday & Wednesday, May 4-5

Nature Center CLOSED

Thursday & Friday, May 6-7

Nature Center OPEN 10am-4:30pm EDT

***10am Help Feed the Birds** – See previous listing.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See previous listing.

Saturday, May 8

Nature Center OPEN 10 am- 4:30pm EDT

***10am Help Feed the Birds** – See previous listing

10:30am Sneaky Snakes – Meet some common Indiana snakes and discover how cool they really are during a 4-minute hands-on program! Nature Center.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See previous listing

***3pm Lusk Home Tour** – See previous listing.

***Healthy Parks – Healthy People: Get “INShape” with us or discover how to keep a state park healthy at these programs**



Earn pins, kerchiefs, patches & more!

Hoosier Quest Program

Sign up at the Nature Center

Sunday, May 9

Nature Center OPEN 10am- 4:30pm EDT

***10am Help Feed the Birds** – See previous listing.

10:30am A Mother Hummingbird's Life – Don't miss this astounding look at hummer nest building and rearing of young. See this 25-minute dvd at the nature center.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See previous listing.

Monday & Friday, May 10 & 14

Nature Center OPEN 10am-4:30pm EDT

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See previous listing.

Tuesday & Wednesday, May 11-12

Nature Center CLOSED

Thursday, May 13

Nature Center OPEN 10am-4:30pm EDT

***10am Help Feed The Birds** – See previous listing.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See previous listing.

Saturday, May 15

Nature Center OPEN 10am-4:30pm EDT

***10am Help Feed The Birds** – See previous listing.

***10:30am-noon Soda Straw Bubbles** – Create fun from trash during this crazy 40-minute activity! Nature Center.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See previous listing.

Reservations recommended on weekends.

***3pm Lusk Home Tour** - See previous listing.

Sunday, May 16

Nature Center OPEN 10am-4:30pm EDT

***10am Help Feed The Birds** – See previous listing.

10:30am Treasures In Your Own Backyard – Enjoy this new dvd all about Indiana State Parks. 1 hour. Nature Center

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See previous listing.

Monday, May 17

Nature Center OPEN 10am-4:30pm EDT

***10am Help Feed the Birds** – See previous listing.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See previous listing.

Tuesday & Wednesday, May 18-19

Nature Center CLOSED

Thursday & Friday, May 20-21

Nature Center OPEN 10am-4:30pm EDT

***10am Help Feed the Birds** – See previous listing.

Also on Thursday...7pm Friend Meeting – See what our volunteers are up to these days, and enjoy a nature program. INN basement meeting room.

Children under the age of 14 must be with an adult when attending programs or visiting the nature center.

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Saturday, May 22

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***10am Help Feed the Birds** - Help a naturalist put out bird seed & work in our wildlife observation area, & then watch out the windows to see who comes for breakfast! Nature Center.

10:30-11:30am Turtles - Look for the naturalist at the nature center to meet a real turtle!

2pm Planetarium Star Show - Let a naturalist give you a tour of the stars during a 40-minute planetarium show. *Reservations recommended on weekends.* Nature Center.

***3pm Lusk Home Tour** - Gather in the basement of this 1841 mansion for an entertaining 1-hour tour. Your children will enjoy it, too! \$2/person donation is suggested. Doors open at 2:45 p.m. for viewing the cellar exhibits. See park map for directions.

Sunday, May 23

Nature Center OPEN 10am-4:30pm EDT

***10am Help Feed the Birds** - See previous listing

10:30am Trail 3 Video – Gather at the nature center to let our most rugged trail come to you! 15-minute video tour.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See previous listing.

Monday, May 24

Nature Center OPEN 10am-4:30pm EDT

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See previous listing.

Tuesday, May 25

Nature Center CLOSED

Staff Training Day – Today we train our brand new summer staff on nature center and park operations so they can better serve you this summer. Please enjoy the rest of the park!

Wednesday & Thursday, May 26-27

Nature Center OPEN 10am-4:30pm EDT

***10am Help Feed The Birds** - See previous listing.

2pm Planetarium Star Show - See previous listing.

***Healthy Parks – Healthy People: Get “INShape” with us or discover how to keep a state park healthy at these programs**

STAFF:

Gary Warmouth, Property Manager
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765-597-2211 or 1-877-500-6151

For more interpretive programs, visit

<http://www.in.gov/dnr/parklake/2420.htm>

Memorial Day Weekend

Friday, May 28

Nature Center OPEN 9:30am-5pm EDT

***9:30am Help Feed The Birds** - See previous listing.

10:30am-12pm Roving Snake! - Watch for a naturalist with a live snake around the nature center or Suspension Bridge.

2pm Planetarium Star Show - See previous listing.

6-8pm Naturalist in the Campground - Keep on the lookout for a naturalist with a big bucket to see what’s inside!

Saturday, May 29

Nature Center OPEN 9:30am-5pm EDT

***9:30am Help Feed The Birds** - See previous listing

***10:30am Fossil Hunt** – Meet at the nature center to take a 1-hour moderately rugged hike with a naturalist to see ancient rocks and find fossils you can keep.

2pm Planetarium Star Show - See previous listing. *Reservations recommended on weekends.*

***3pm Lusk Home Tour** – See previous listing.

***8pm Giant Recycled Bubbles** – Meet in front of the nature center to wear out the kids! Homemade bubble juice and blowers will send you home with new ideas for summer fun! 1 hour activity.

Sunday, May 30

Nature Center OPEN 9:30am-5pm EDT

***9:30am Help Feed The Birds** - See previous listing.

10:30-11:30am Homemade Birdfeeders – Stop by the nature center to make a little feeder for home. 10-min. craft.

2pm Planetarium Star Show - See previous listing. *Reservations recommended on weekends.*

***3pm Lusk Home Tour** – See previous listing.

8pm Can A Flying Squirrel Fly? – Gather at the nature center to see some weird and wonderful wild animal adaptations during 40-minutes of fun.

Monday, May 31

Nature Center OPEN 9:30am-5pm EDT

***9:30am Help Feed The Birds** - See previous listing.

10:30am-noon Naturalist On The Trails – Keep your eyes open for a naturalist and her big bucket as you hike the trails this morning to find out what cool nature stuff she’s showing off today.

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See previous listing.

Tuesday & Wednesday, June 1-2

Nature Center OPEN 10am-4:30pm EDT

***10am Help Feed the Birds** - See previous listing

10:30-11:30am Nature @ The Nature Center – See, touch, EXPERIENCE nature – new activities every day!

2pm Planetarium Star Show – See previous listing.

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